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Communicable Disease Report May 11, 2009

To: Health Care Providers

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Gallatin County Weekly Communicable Disease Report 4/29/09- 5/5/09:

Reportable : Non- Reportable :

8 Chlamydia 35 Streptococcus

5 Influenza A 1 Mononucleosis

1 Campylobacter

1 Dog Bite

1 Hepatitis C

GCCHD 24/7 contact number: Call Dispatch 582- 2100 Ext.2, ask to page Health Department

<u>Gallatin City-County Health Department Update:</u> As of 1100 ET today, there are 2,618 confirmed cases in 44 states, with 3 deaths. There are no confirmed cases in Montana.

Montana DPHHS Update: DPHHS will process specimens at no charge only for patients who meet the case definition of influenza-like illness (ILI) AND have traveled within 7 days to a community either within the United States or internationally where there are one or more confirmed Influenza A H IN1 (swine-like) cases, OR Patients admitted to the hospital with an ILI. ILI is defined as fever (100°F or greater) and a cough and/or a sore throat in the absence of a KNOWN cause other than influenza. Those meeting the criteria above will be processed at no charge to the provider when documentation is provided on the laboratory requisition form. Specimens submitted without documenting the presence of influenza-like illness and either hospitalization or travel to an area with confirmed cases will be billed to the submitter. Cost of testing is \$75.

To qualify for state-supported testing, please document the presence of ILI and recent travel to an area with documented cases of Influenza A H1N1 (swine-like) or current hospitalization for ILI on the MTPHL requisition form.

<u>Anti-Viral Treatment</u> – DPHHS recommendations were sent to healthcare providers 5/7/2009. This, as well as other HAN messages and CD Reports can be found at http://www.gallatin.mt.gov/Public Documents/gallatincomt health/health.

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